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Compulsory Education.

The conditions of our educa-
 tion system has reached that
 point where the people were of
 the opinion that it was necessary
 to force an attendance at our
 Public Schools for the Children
 ranging from eight to twelve
 years of age, for a period of four
 months during each year. This
 should not have been necessary
 in as great an industrial nation
 and as a progressive people as
 we are, but it is necessary. This
 law must be enforced, because
 it is a very necessary condition
 that now confronts us. It is a
 sad spectacle to see loafing upon
 our streets during the regular
 school months a large number
 of boys that should be in school
 attendance. However, addition-
 al trouble is confronting us, be-
 cause many of these boys are
 over twelve years of age and
 there is no authority exercised
 for them except that of their
 own parents, which in many
 cases is far lenient. We have
 carefully observed for the past
 year and numbered by the hun-
 dreds boys of our town and
 county ranging from the ages of
 twelve to eighteen who are year-
 ly dropping out of our schools
 with an incomplete High school
 education. Not enough to fit
 them for college much less pre-
 pare them for life. When they
 reach their maturity as far
 as years in concerned they be-
 gin to search very diligently for
 some good job that extends
 good pay. There is no job with
 with good pay for them because
 they are not qualified for any
 work except that of the usual
 day laborer and in many cases
 they have not been trained for
 daily toil, or being to unkind treat-
 ment of an unthoughtful Father
 or Mother. The result of all this
 is a large class of regular loafers
 that are now lounging upon our
 streets, being supported by their
 Father, Mother or gambling acts
 or low lives of vice nature. Har-
 vest time will come soon or late
 and will gather the tares, which
 will be burned by the Judge
 Supreme. Many a Father and
 Mother will spend night after
 night in sleepless agony grieving
 over the wayward steps of an
 untrained, non educated, lazy
 ambitionless boy, with the final
 exclamation that they cannot
 understand why it is that he
 should appear in a gambler's
 resort or a drunken broil or har-
 bored in a den of vice. This is not
 an unfair or overdrawn picture
 but one of daily occurrence.
 It does not have the sting of
 pain or a life touch except when
 it comes to our own community
 and takes some young man, or
 the hand of disgrace is thrust
 upon the brow of some fair wom-
 an.

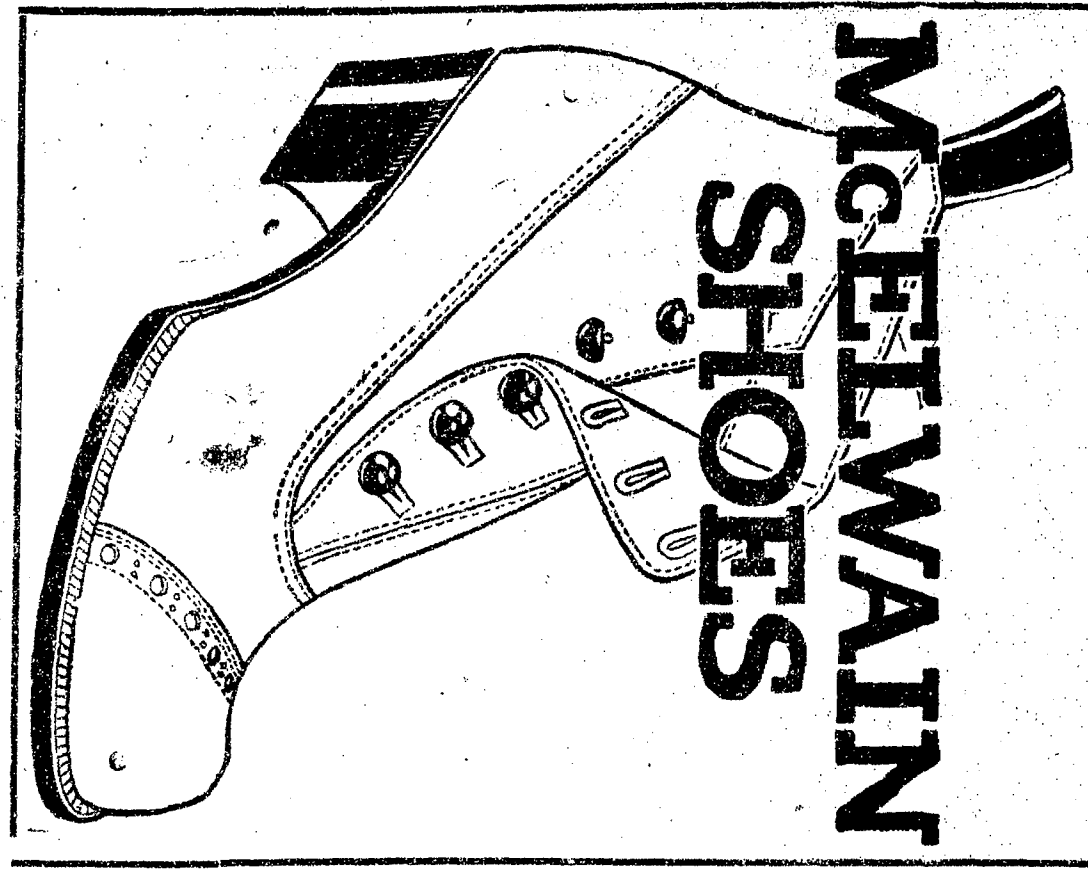
There is only one conclusion.
 Boys must be energetic in mind,
 trained in hand and truthful in
 spirit and the desired reward
 will be the result.

Get breath? Use Dr. Miles' Laxative
 Tablets, they are excellent for a slug-
 gish liver. [Advertisement.]

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 into the making of a real honest shoe.

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Masonic Picnic--Public Speaking

Bula Lodge No. 409 A. F. & A. M.

NEXT SATURDAY AUG. 16TH

BURLINGTON, N. C. :: PIEDMONT PARK

**A Great Day for the People of Alamance
 and Surrounding Counties.**

**THREE OF NORTH CAROLINA'S MOST PROMINENT AND DISTINGUISHED
 CITIZENS WILL SPEAK**

Hon. E. J. Justice will speak at 11 A. M. Hon. R. O. Everett will speak at 2:00 P. M.
 Dr. W. S. Rankin will speak at 2:45 P. M.

Mr. Justice is very likely to have something to say that would interest merchants and shippers, he is full of the freight rate idea these days.
 Mr. Everett will tell fathers and mothers how to raise babies, and discuss in a general way Women Suffrage, having recently completed a course in this line in connection with his law course at Columbia University.
 Dr. Rankin will speak on Public Health and Sanitation. Doctors, preachers, teachers, fathers and mothers and all good citizens who wish to see the death rate lowered in our community should hear our distinguished Secretary of the State Board of Health.

THERE WILL BE ALSO

Brunswick Stew and Barbecue, Light Lunches, Brass Band, Family Reunions, After Dinner Speeches, Concert Oxford Orphanage Singing Class, Baseball: Fats vs. Skins, Burlesque in Casino, Display of Fire Works, Wrestling match, etc.

Dr. B. E. Washburn, of the State Board of Health, who is conducting the Free Hookworm Dispensaries in Alamance County, will hold a dispensary at the Casino from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M. Any one wishing to be examined for intestinal parasites can bring their specimens to the dispensary. There will also be an interesting exhibit on topics relating to Sanitation and Hookworm Disease, and literature on public health subjects will be distributed. Let every one visit the Dispensary see the exhibit, and receive some of the literature. All examinations and medicines-Free.

A good many of the cotton mills in the County Have agreed to close their mills for this big day in the Old County of Alamance. Five Thousand People are expected to be present. Come Everybody.

**Everything Is For The Benefit
 of the Oxford Orphanage.**

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